



***Town of Discovery Bay
A California Community Services District
"Friday Letter"
To the Board of Directors
March 7, 2014***

From: Rick Howard, General Manager

General Manager/Administration:

- ✓ Don't forget – This Sunday at 2:00 a.m. move those clocks forward one hour! Daylight Savings Time is finally upon us.
- ✓ I noted to you a number of weeks back that the District's efforts to obtain CSDA's Certificate of Transparency require a Peer Review by two different agencies. Contra Costa LAFCO and the Byron Bethany Irrigation District have completed their reviews this week. I am happy to report that both have indicated that the information was complete and that both will be sending a "Clean" letter, indicating that all requirements are met. The review was extensive and I am appreciative of both Lou Ann's (LAFCO) and Rick's (BBID) time to review our documents.
- ✓ On Monday night March 17 at 9:00 p.m., Veolia will turn off all of our water production wells for a twelve hour period. The wells are being shut down for the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring (CASGEM), a mandated statewide groundwater elevation monitoring program, to track seasonal and long-term trends in groundwater elevations in California's groundwater basins. The DWR has recently requested that CASGEM program members collect static water levels from CASGEM monitoring wells on March 17th. Luhdorff and Scalmanini will conduct the tests. All storage tanks will be completely full prior to the shut down and will be monitored. The wells will be placed back in service as soon as the testing is complete.
- ✓ Earlier this week I received the Draft Five-Year Municipal Service Review from LAFCO for Discovery Bay. As I noted in a separate email to the Board, I am pleased with the outcome of that review and even more pleased that the recommended action for the TODB is "Maintain the Status Quo".

- ✓ This morning I spoke to the Byron Delta Lions Club. It was a great opportunity to provide information about the community to the group.
- ✓ Congratulations to Carol for completing the CSDA Board Secretary/Clerk Certification program last week in Napa!



Parks, Landscape and Recreation Services

- ✓ Planning continues for the Community Center Open House on Tuesday March 18th at 5:00 p.m. You should have received your personal invitation in the mail by this time.
- ✓ The Leo's, a group of middle and high school kids that is affiliated with the Lion's Club, will be doing a landscape and planting project at the Community Center as a part of their community philanthropy requirements. The project will rehabilitate the "Island" in front of the Center (the flag pole is in the island).

- ✓ The Town will be hosing the May Chamber Mixer at the Community Center on Tuesday, May 27th. Details to follow, but please mark your calendar.

Water and Wastewater Services

- ✓ The “BIG” one is out to bid! The Oxidation Ditch and Clarifier project is now out to bid. The bid date is April 8.
- ✓ Staff, along with our team of consultants, is moving forward with a proposal to the RWQCB as it relates to the Town’s new NPDES permit. This item will be on the next agenda for further Board discussion.

Important Dates

Upcoming important dates are as follows:

- CSD Regular Board Meeting – March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.
- Community Center Open House, Tuesday, March 18, at 5:00 p.m.
- CSD Regular Board Meeting – April 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.